

EQIP COUNTY RANKING SHEET
RESOURCE CONCERN: FOREST MANAGEMENT

Resource Concern: "Is forest quality being negatively impacted on the land being offered for contract?"

Please complete the following questions as accurately as possible concerning you current farming practices and activities.

1. Will the area offered for contract connect existing forest areas?

___ YES
___ NO

2. Is the area offered for contract located within the Upper Iroquois River watershed?

___ YES
___ NO

3. Is the area offered for contract located within an identified impaired watershed? An impaired watershed shall be defined as: Any waterbody targeted for Total Maximum Daily Load development by IDEM 303 (d) list; TMDL's include: total dissolved oxygen, high level nutrients, total dissolved solids, high chloride levels, e-coli.

___ YES
___ NO

4. Is the area offered for contract located within an area of threatened and endangered species habitat?

___ YES
___ NO

5. Is the area offered for contract eligible for or currently enrolled in the Classified Forest/Wildlife Program?

___ YES
___ NO

EQIP COUNTY RANKING SHEET
RESOURCE CONCERN: EROSION

Resource Concern: "Is soil and water quality being negatively impacted on the land being offered for contract?"

Please complete the following questions as accurately as possible concerning your current farming/livestock practices and activities?

1. Is the area being offered for contract within 500 feet of an identified impaired stream?
An impaired stream shall be defined as any waterbody targeted for Total Maximum Daily Load development by IDEM 303 (d) list; TMDL's include: total dissolved oxygen, high level nutrients, total dissolved solids, high chloride levels, e-coli.

___ YES
___ NO

2. Is the area being offered for contract, have erosion from water exceeding the allowable soil loss or presenting a gully erosion problem that may impair soil quality? Producer shall be required to complete cropping and tillage information that will calculate present erosion.

___ YES
___ NO

3. Is the area being offered for contract, have erosion, from wind, exceeding the allowable soil loss? Soil loss calculations shall be made using soil loss information from question #2.

___ YES
___ NO

4. Are the area being offered for contract, have active and/or maintained vegetated and/or herbaceous buffers, of at least 20 feet wide, along any perennial or intermittent streams that are identified as impaired? (See definition for impaired in question #1) When possible current GIS information/map shall be used to verify buffers, if not available field checks shall be made.

___ YES
___ NO

5. Is the area being offered for contract, provide crop or grass/tree residue, on the surface, of at least 30% or more? Information shall be obtained by making field visits.

___ YES
___ NO

6. Is the offered acreage located in the Upper Iroquois River Watershed?

— YES
— NO

EQIP County Ranking Sheet
Resource Concern: Livestock Management

Resource Concern: "Is water quality being negatively impacted because of animal production activities on the land being offered for contract?"

Please complete the following questions as accurately as possible concerning your current farming and livestock practices and activities.

1. Is any animal or barn waste being spread, on the land, during any time of the year, within 500 feet of any waterbody?

___ YES
___ NO

2. Is your animal waste storage unit designed to store manure less than 180 days? (Producer will be required to furnish documentation of storage by Permit and / or engineering certification of completed storage unit.)

___ YES
___ NO

3. Do any livestock have access to any waterbody? I.e.: Can livestock get into/walk through river or stream.

___ YES
___ NO

4. Are the acres being offered for EQIP contract located within the Upper Iroquois River watershed?

___ YES
___ NO

5. Do any of the acres you farm or apply manure to contain any abandoned wells?(A Jasper County map, of registered wells, will be used to define location and suitability of practice.)

___ YES
___ NO

EQIP COUNTY RANKING SHEET
RESOURCE CONCERN: WATER QUALITY

Resource Concern: "Is water quality being negatively impacted on the land being offered for contract?"

Please complete the following questions as accurately as possible concerning your current farming/livestock practices and activities.

1. Is the area being offered for contract within 500 feet of an identified impaired stream? An impaired water body shall be defined as any water body targeted for Total Maximum Daily Load development by IDEM 303 (d) list; TMDL's include: total dissolved oxygen, high level nutrients, total dissolved solids, high chloride levels, e-coli.

___ YES
___ NO

2. Is the area being offered for contract within the Upper Iroquois River watershed?

___ YES
___ NO

3. Is the area being offered for contract contain soils that are considered permeable sands and have water tables that are less than 3.0', (three feet), of the surface at any time? The Jasper County Soil Survey shall be used to determine the above criteria.

___ YES
___ NO

4. Does the area being offered contain any abandoned or unprotected wells?(A Jasper County map, of registered wells, will be used to define location and suitability of practice.)

___ YES
___ NO

5. Does the area being offered provide crop or grass/tree residue, on the surface, of at least 30% or more? Residue transect maps shall be used.

___ YES
___ No

6. Is any type of waste water and/or sludge being spread or proposed to be spread, in the future, on the offered acres? Determinations shall be made either by reviewing IDEM applications or Board of Zoning application approvals.

___ YES
___ NO